



Coaches, Team Managers & Club Officials

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. In the FA's survey of 37,000 grassroots participants, behaviour was the biggest concern in the game. This included the abuse of match officials and the unacceptable behaviour of over competitive parents, spectators and coaches on the side-line. Play your part and observe the Football Association's Respect Code of Conduct in everything you do.

On and off the field, I will:

- Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Adhere to the laws and spirit of the game
- Promote Fair Play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the match official's decision
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in public criticism of the match officials
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour
- Speak to the referee coordinator should I have any concerns regarding a referee officials conduct, or performance. I will not speak to, shout out, or engage with referee during or after a match.
- Speak to the NEACL referee coordinator should I have any concerns relating to a referee officials conduct, or performance. (not the referee themselves)

When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Ensure all parents/carers of all players under the age of 18 understand these expectations
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem
- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities I organise are appropriate for the players' ability level, age and maturity
- Co-operate fully with others in football (e.g. officials, doctors, physiotherapists, welfare officers) for each player's best interests
- Encourage players not to engage, in a negative manner with referee officials.
- Encourage players to speak to referee coordinator, if they require to discuss officials.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA, league or The FA:

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2024/45 SEASON
Code of Conduct**



- Required to meet with the club, league or County Welfare Officer
- Required to meet with the club committee
- Monitored by another club coach
- Required to attend a FA education course
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave or be sacked by the club
- Suspended or no longer welcome at North East Ability Counts Football League events

In addition:

- My FACA (FA Coaches Association) membership may be withdrawn

I have read / understand the Coaches, Team Manager & Club Officials code of conduct. I agree to follow the code of conduct and understand that agreement to follow this is a requirement for registration to the league 2024/25 season.

I also understand that failure to follow the codes of conduct, will result in the North Riding Ability Counts Management Committee taking action against me, which may include cancelling the team registration to the league.

Team / Club Name		Head Coach / Manager	
No	Full Name	Signature / Mark (Must be signed – not electronic)	Date
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